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## **News Release**

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## MAINTENANCE DREDGING TO BEGIN FRIDAY AT HALE'IWA HARBOR Dredging at Wai'anae harbor to begin in early 2010

HONOLULU – The U.S. Army Corps of Engineers, Honolulu District has contracted Trade West Construction, Inc. to perform maintenance dredging at the state Hale'iwa Small Boat Harbor. Trade West Construction, Inc. is scheduled to begin dredging operations on Friday, November 20, 2009. This work will remove approximately 8,000 cubic yards of sediment from the entrance channel and outer portion of the harbor, and is scheduled to be completed by the end of 2009.

From next week, dredging operations will take place Monday through Thursday, except for federal holidays, from 7 a.m. to 5:30 p.m. During the dredging operations, the boat ramp and half of the entrance channel will remain open. Boaters are advised to exercise caution when transiting the work areas. The entire entrance channel will be open on Friday, Saturday and Sunday, and federal holidays.

The dredged material will be dewatered at the harbor and the suitable material will be used for beach nourishment projects.

Upon completion of the Hale'iwa Small Boat Harbor Maintenance Dredging Project, Trade West Construction, Inc. will move its operations to the Wai'anae Small Boat Harbor to remove sediment from the entrance channel in early 2010.

Total contract cost is \$1,794,000 for both Hale'iwa and Wai'anae maintenance dredging. Funding is provided by the American Recovery and Reinvestment Act (ARRA).

The Hale 'iwa and Wai 'anae small boat harbors maintenance dredging projects are being implemented by the Army Corps of Engineers under their agreement with the State to maintain federal navigation improvements that were constructed by the Army Corps. Both Haleiwa and

Waianae harbors were constructed by the Army Corps of Engineers. Federal navigation improvements typically consist of breakwaters, entrance and access channels. The State is responsible to construct and maintain inner harbor improvements.

For more information regarding this project, boaters may contact Paul Sensano, Haleiwa Harbor Agent at 637-8246 or Eric Yuasa, State Project Engineer at 587-0122.

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